

STATE OF MICHIGAN TERRI LYNN LAND, SECRETARY OF STATE

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Lansing

-- NOTICE --

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THE BOARD OF STATE CANVASSERS WILL CONDUCT A HEARING ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 2008 AT 10:00 A.M. IN BANQUET ROOM 1 LOCATED ON THE 1ST FLOOR OF THE LANSING CENTER, 333 EAST MICHIGAN AVENUE, LANSING, MICHIGAN.

Included on the Agenda will be:

- Canvass and certification of the August 5, 2008 primary.
- Consider AutoMark Voter Assist Terminal v.1.3.2904 with AIMS software v.1.3.57 submitted by Election Systems & Software of Omaha, Nebraska for approval for use in Michigan.
- Consider initiative petition filed by Stem Cell Research BQC, P.O. Box 20216, Lansing, Michigan 48901.
- Consider initiative petition filed by Reform Michigan Government Now!, 1501 North Shore Drive, Suite C, East Lansing, Michigan 48823.
- Assign ballot designations to statewide ballot proposals qualified to appear on the November 4, 2008 general election ballot.
- Determination of ballot wording for the three statewide proposals identified below:
 - **COALITION FOR COMPASSIONATE CARE:** Legislative initiative to allow under state law the medical use of marihuana.
 - **STEM CELL RESEARCH:** Proposed constitutional amendment to permit with certain limitations stem cell research in Michigan.
 - **REFORM MICHIGAN GOVERNMENT NOW:** Proposed constitutional amendment to effect a wide range of governmental changes.
- Such other and further business as may be properly presented to the Board.

The staff reports on the sufficiency of the initiative petitions sponsored by the Stem Cell Research BQC and Reform Michigan Government Now! and the staff's recommended ballot wording for the statewide proposals will be released on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>August 19, 2008</u>. The reports and recommended ballot wording will be available on the Department of State's website after their release <www.michigan.gov/sos>.

Christopher M. Thomas, Secretary Board of State Canvassers

A person may address the Board on any agenda item at the end of the hearing. A person who wishes to address the Board on an agenda item at the time the item is being discussed must submit a written request to the Chairperson of the Board prior to the opening of the meeting. Persons addressing the Board are allotted three minutes.

People with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in this meeting should contact Lydia Valles at (517) 241-4662 (voice) or (517) 241-4320 (TDD) one day in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.